Lineage and Honors History Of the 484 Air Expeditionary Wing (ACC)

Lineage. Established as 484 Bombardment Group (Heavy) on 14 Sep 1943. Activated on 20 Sep 1943. Redesignated: 484 Bombardment Group, Heavy on 28 Jan 1944; 484 Bombardment Group (Pathfinder) on 14 Feb 1944; 484 Bombardment Group, Heavy on 11 Nov 1944. Inactivated on 25 Jul 1945. Consolidated (31 Jan 1984) with the 484 Bombardment Wing, Heavy, which was established, and activated, on 15 Nov 1962. Organized on 1 Feb 1963. Discontinued, and inactivated, on 25 Mar 1967. Redesignated 484 Air Expeditionary Wing, and converted to provisional status, on 13 Jan 2003.

Assignments. Second Air Force, 20 Sep 1943; 49 Bombardment Wing, c. 14 Mar 1944; North African Division, Air Transport Command, c. 13 May-25 Jul 1945. 822 Air Division, 1 Feb 1963; 823 Air Division, 2 Sep 1966-25 Mar 1967. Assigned to Air

Components. Squadrons: **824**: 20 Sep 1943-25 Jul 1945; 1 Feb 1963-25 Jan 1967.

Combat Command to activate or inactivate at anytime after 13 Jan 2003.

825: 20 Sep 1943-25 Jul 1945. 826: 20 Sep 1943-25 Jul 1945. 827: 1 Oct 1943-25 Jul 1945. 919 Air Refueling: 1 Feb 1963-25 Mar 1967.

Stations. Harvard AAFId, NE, 20 Sep 1943; Camp Patrick Henry, VA, 4-13 Mar 1944 (ground echelon); Djedeida, Tunisia, c. 27 Mar 1944 (air echelon); Toretto, Italy, 9 Apr 1944 (ground echelon), 14 Apr 1944 (air echelon); Casablanca, French Morocco, c. 25 May-25 Jul 1945. Turner AFB, GA, 1 Feb 1963-25 Mar 1967.

Commanders. Col William B. Keese, Oct 1943; Lt Col Chester C. Busch, Apr 1945-unkn. Col Donald G. McPherson, 1 Feb 1963; Col Harold J. Whiteman, 28 Jun 1965;

None (not manned), 1 Apr-c. 29 Sep 1966; Col Willard A. Beauchamp, c. 29 Sep 1966-25 Mar 1967.

Aircraft. B-24, 1943-1945. B-52, 1963-1966, 1966-1967; KC-135, 1963-1966, 1966-1967.

Operations. Trained for combat with B-24 aircraft. Moved to Italy, Mar-Apr 1944 and performed strategic bombardment in ETO, Apr 1944-Apr 1945. Strategic bombardment training and air refueling operations to meet SAC operational commitments, Nov 1962-Mar 1967. All wing aircraft and crews, all wing headquarters personnel, and most wing support personnel in deployed status as part of 3d Air Division for combat operations in Southeast Asia from Apr- Sep 1966.

Service Streamers. None

Campaign Streamers. Air Offensive, Europe; Rome-Arno; Normandy; Northern France; Southern France; North Apennines; Rhineland; Central Europe; Po Valley; Air Combat, EAME Theater.

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers. None

Decorations. Distinguished Unit Citations: Munich, Germany and Innsbruck, Austria, 13 Jun 1944; Vienna, Austria, 22 Aug 1944. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award: 1 Apr-30 Sep 1966.

Lineage, Assignments, Components, Stations, and Honors through 13 Jan 2003 Commanders, Aircraft, and Operations through 25 Mar 1967

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Emblem. Approved on 19 Mar 1964

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